

respect to the interstate movement of such articles under this subpart; and

(2) The designation of less than the entire State as a regulated area will otherwise be adequate to prevent the artificial interstate spread of the Mexican fruit fly.

(b) The Deputy Administrator or an inspector may temporarily designate any nonregulated area in a quarantined State as a regulated area in accordance with the criteria specified in paragraph (a) of this section for listing such area. Written notice of such designation shall be given to the owner or person in possession of such nonregulated area, and, thereafter, the interstate movement of any regulated article from such area shall be subject to the applicable provisions of this subpart. As soon as practicable, such area shall be added to the list in paragraph (c) of this section or such designation shall be terminated by the Deputy Administrator or an inspector, and notice thereof shall be given to the owner or person in possession of the area.

(c) The areas described below are designated as regulated areas:

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Cameron County. The entire county.

Hidalgo County. The entire county.

Willacy County. The entire county.

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EDITORIAL NOTE: For FEDERAL REGISTER citations affecting § 301.64-3, see the List of CFR Sections Affected, which appears in the Finding Aids section of the printed volume and on GPO Access.

§ 301.64-4 Conditions governing the interstate movement of regulated articles from regulated areas in quarantined States.

Any regulated article may be moved interstate from any regulated area in a quarantined State into or through those areas listed in § 301.64(b) of this subpart only if moved under the following conditions:³

(a) With a certificate or limited permit issued and attached in accordance with §§ 301.64-5 and 301.64-8;

(b) Without a certificate or limited permit, if:

³Requirements under all other applicable Federal domestic plant quarantines and regulations must also be met.

(1) Moved to any State not listed in § 301.64(b) or

(2)(i) Moved directly through (moved without stopping except under normal traffic conditions, such as for traffic lights or stop signs) any regulated area in an enclosed vehicle or completely enclosed by a covering adequate to prevent the introduction of the Mexican fruit fly (such as canvas, plastic, or closely woven cloth), and

(ii) The article originated outside of any regulated area, and

(iii) The point of origin of the article is clearly indicated by shipping documents and its identity has been maintained.

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§ 301.64-5 Issuance and cancellation of certificates and limited permits.

(a) A certificate shall be issued by an inspector for the movement of a regulated article if such inspector:

(1)(i) Determines that it has been treated under the direction of an inspector⁴ in accordance with § 301.64-10; or

(ii) Determines based on inspection of the premises of origin that the premises are free from the Mexican fruit fly and the article has not been exposed to Mexican fruit fly; or

(iii) Determines based on inspection of the article that it is free from Mexican fruit fly; and

(2) Determines that it is to be moved in compliance with any additional conditions deemed necessary under section 414 of the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7714) to prevent the spread of the Mexican fruit fly;⁵ and

(3) Determines that it is eligible for unrestricted movement under all other Federal domestic plant quarantines and regulations applicable to such article.

⁴Treatments shall be monitored by inspectors in order to assure compliance with the requirements in this subpart.

⁵An inspector may hold, seize, quarantine, treat, apply other remedial measures to, destroy, or otherwise dispose of plants, plant pests, or other articles in accordance with sections 414, 421, and 434 of the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7714, 7731, and 7754).

(b) A limited permit shall be issued by an inspector for the movement of a regulated article if such inspector:

(1) Determines, in consultation with the Deputy Administrator, that it is to be moved to a specified destination for specified handling, utilization, processing, or for treatment in accordance with § 301.64-10 (such destination and other conditions to be specified on the limited permit), when, upon evaluation of all of the circumstances involved in each case, it is determined that such movement will not result in the spread of the Mexican fruit fly because life stages of the pest will be destroyed by such specified handling, utilization, processing, or treatment;

(2) Determines that it is to be moved in compliance with any additional conditions deemed necessary under section 414 of the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7714) to prevent the spread of the Mexican fruit fly;⁵ and

(3) Determines that it is eligible for such movement under all other Federal domestic plant quarantines and regulations applicable to such article.

(c) Certificates and limited permits for use for movement of regulated articles may be issued by an inspector or person engaged in the business of growing, handling, or moving regulated articles provided such person is operating under a compliance agreement. Any such person may execute and issue a certificate for the interstate movement of a regulated article if such person has treated such regulated article to destroy infestation in accordance with the provisions in § 301.64-10 and the inspector has made the determination that such article is otherwise eligible for a certificate in accordance with paragraph (a) of this section; or if the inspector has made the determination that such article is eligible for a certificate in accordance with paragraph (a) of this section without such treatment. Any such person may execute and issue a limited permit for interstate movement of a regulated article when the inspector has made the determination that such article is eligible for a limited permit in accordance with paragraph (b) of this section.

(d) Any certificate or limited permit which has been issued or authorized may be withdrawn by an inspector if

such inspector determines that the holder thereof has not complied with any conditions under the regulations for the use of such document. The reasons for the withdrawal shall be confirmed in writing as promptly as circumstances permit. Any person whose certificate or limited permit has been withdrawn may appeal the decision in writing to the Deputy Administrator within ten (10) days after receiving the written notification of the withdrawal. The appeal shall state all of the facts and reasons upon which the person relies to show that the certificate or limited permit was wrongfully withdrawn. The Deputy Administrator shall grant or deny the appeal, in writing, stating the reasons for such decision, as promptly as circumstances permit. If there is a conflict to any material fact, a hearing shall be held to resolve such conflict. Rules of Practice concerning such a hearing will be adopted by the Deputy Administrator.

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§ 301.64-6 Compliance agreement and cancellation thereof.

(a) Any person engaged in the business of growing, handling, or moving regulated articles may enter into a compliance agreement to facilitate the movement of regulated articles under this subpart.⁶ The compliance agreement shall be a written agreement between a person engaged in such a business and Plant Protection and Quarantine, wherein the person agrees to comply with the provisions of this subpart and any conditions imposed pursuant thereto.

(b) Any compliance agreement may be cancelled orally or in writing by the inspector who is supervising its enforcement whenever the inspector finds that such person has failed to comply with the provisions of this subpart or any conditions imposed pursuant

⁶Compliance Agreement forms are available without charge from the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Plant Protection and Quarantine, Domestic and Emergency Operations, 4700 River Road Unit 134, Riverdale, Maryland 20737-1236, and from local offices of the Plant Protection and Quarantine. (Local offices are listed in telephone directories).